



**TO RESIST
DRUGS AND
VIOLENCE.**



D.A.R.E. has been an important, active part of the Sheriff's Office since January, 1990 when Sgt. Rich McKinny became the original D.A.R.E. Officer. He has taught the D.A.R.E. curriculum in 16 of those past 17 school years and under four different Sheriffs.

A five week D.A.R.E. safety program is presented at each 3rd and/or 4th grade class in the County schools outside Grand Island. A ten week (formerly 17 week) curriculum is presented to each of the 6th grade classes in those same schools. Some of the topics presented include: Purposes of the program, tobacco and you, tobacco and marijuana facts applied, beliefs about alcohol use, the real truth about alcohol advertising, friendship and peer pressure, applying assertiveness skills, practice decision making skills while examining the role of peer pressure, practicing assertive refusal skills and Culmination.

